Utilisation of flared up natural gas for power generation

272. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased *to* state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up more gas-based power stations in order to utilise the natural gas that is being flared up at present;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) what are Government's views on encouraging private sector's participation in gas-based power production?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) and (b) In order to utilise the available natural gas for power generation, a number of gas based power projects have been identified for benefits during the Eighth Plan period. The details are given in the Annexure. (See Appendix CLIV, Annexure No. 17]

(c) The policy with regard to the generation and distribution of electricity continues to be regulated by the Industrial Policy Resolution of 1956. The establishment of news units in the private sector is not precluded under the Resolution.

Vacant post of Principal, Lady Har-dinge Medical College, New Delhi

273. SHRIMATI BIJOYA . CHA-KRAVARTY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the post of Principal* Lady Hardinge Medical College, New Delhi has fallen vacant consequent upon the retirement on superannuation of the last incumbent of the post; and

(b) if so, whether the name of successor has been finalised and if not, what are the reasons for delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RA-SHEED MASOOD): (a) Yes Sir. The post fell vacant on 1.5.1990.

(b) Dr. B. M. S. Bedi has been appointed to the post.

Medical Superintendent of Sucheta Kripalani and Kalavati Saran Hospitals

274. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHA-KRAVARTY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleasad to state-

(a) whether it is a fact that the Member. Lady Hardinge Medical College is concurrently holding charge of the offices of the Medical Superintendent of Sucheta Kripalani Hospital and the Kalavati Saran Hospital;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government have any proposal under their consideration for appointing different incumbents for the three different assignments in the interest of smooth functioning of these instituions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RA-SHEED MASOOD): (a) and (b) Yes. The Principal, Lady Hardinge Medical College is the Medical Superintendent of Sucheta Kriplani Hospital and Kalawati Saran Hospital. He/she is assisted in the administration work of the hospital by the Additional Medical Superintendent, Deputy Medical Superintendent: and Assistant Medical Superintendent in Smt. S. K. Hospital and by the Dy. Medical Superintendent in Kalawati Saran Children Hospital.

(c) No please.